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SENATE JUDICIARY
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FILE NO. SB114

To the **Senate Judiciary Committee**

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Rowlie Hutton (R-Havre), Larry Jent (D-Bozeman), Cliff Larsen (D-Missoula), Lynda Moss (D-

Billings), Jim Peterson (R-Butte), Chas Vincent (R-Libby)

Senate Bill 114; - Sheriff must authorize federal employee arrest, search, or seizure.

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This bill would make it a state crime for a federal office to arrest, search, or size in Montana without first getting the advanced, written permission of the elected county sheriff of the county in which the event is to take place. Locally-elected sheriffs are accountable to the people and are supposed to the chief law enforcement officer of the county, bar none. This bill puts teeth into the expectation that federal agents must operate with the approval of the sheriff, or not at all. It also gives the local sheriff tools necessary to protect the people of his county, and their constitutional rights. There are exception in the legislation for "hot pursuit", U.S. Customs and Border Patrol, corrupt sheriffs, and more.

I fully support SB114 and want to see it become Montana Law.

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